



Long time ago there stood a luxurious palace on the island of Plateliai Lake. An old widower count lived there with his only daughter, the beautiful Zifrina. She looked like a princess from a fairy tale; however she was very naughty and frivolous. Lots of noble grooms had the intentions to marry her but she was so proud and bad-tempered that their efforts were wasted.

Once, the count decided to hold a feast in his palace. When the feast was in progress, the young countess decided to entertain her guests with new tricks and threw her expensive, decorated with diamonds comb into the waves of the lake. "My dear knights, who is the bravest of all of you? Who will dare to dive into the depths of Plateliai Lake to bring my diamond comb back to me? Whoever he will be-I'll marry him." The noblemen got very interested in the idea and some of them jumped into the lake immediately but they all returned without anything. And then the young countess's servant Gervazas took his clothes away and rushed into the waves. When he was back with her comb, she ignored her promised. Gervazas threw the diamond comb back into the lake, looked at Zifrina with contempt and rushed into Plateliai Lake again. This time he didn't appear anymore. After that night, Zifrina heard the voice of the drowned servant; "Zifrina, take your diamond comb and give me what you've promised-your hand and heart." It continued every night. The old count couldn't bear that, he took his beautiful daughter and one day they left in an unknown direction and never came back.

The End

PLACES CONNECTED TO THE LEGEND

“Plateliai”



*The legend takes place
in Palanga, Baltic Sea.*

The Plateliai Lake



*The Hill of
Plateliai*

Manor House.



*The glistening of
the diamond comb*

